

NEWS OF THE DAY

"To show the very age and body of the Times"

In the embalmment case of Rush R. Sloane, late president of the Cleveland, Sandusky and Cincinnati railway, it is stated that Sloane, who had fled the country, returned to Windsor, Canada, some time ago, supposing he could settle with the railway company by the payment of \$250,000 and costs, but owing to some misunderstanding concerning the suit to be brought against him the settlement was not effected, payment of the above sum being construed as for civil suits only. Sloane was not satisfied, and returned to Europe. The grand jury at Sandusky, Ohio, have found fifteen indictments against Sloane for embezzlement and nine for forgery.

A large meeting of stevedores and coopers was held in Philadelphia, Sunday, to protest against the contract system which employers are endeavoring to introduce. The meeting was very enthusiastic, and those who are on a strike at Point Breeze expressed a determination to hold out. Many of the employers make the men sign a contract, by which a dollar and a half of wages per week is retained until \$75 is accumulated. To this the men object.

The jury at New York, in the case of Chas. Callander, indicted for having accepted a bribe of \$70,000 from the Ocean National Bank of that city, to influence his official action as bank examiner in regard to the affairs and condition of that institution, after being out from 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon until 5:30 Sunday afternoon, were discharged, failing to agree on a verdict.

A man named Murphy, hailing from Stewart county, Tenn., went to a farmer's house in Tipson county, in that State, Friday, killed Mrs. Milton Donaldson with an axe and mortally wounded a servant girl, his object being the robbery of Mr. Donaldson's safe of \$7,000. The girl gave the alarm; he fled, was subsequently arrested and shot by citizens.

The Secretary of the Treasury has directed the Assistant Treasurer at New York to sell \$1,600,000 gold on the first and third Thursdays each, \$1,000,000 gold on the second and fourth Thursdays each, or \$5,000,000 during the month of June. There is no direction for the purchase of bonds.

The grand jury of New York has handed in four indictments against Oliver Charlick and Hugh Gardner, police commissioners—one for illegally removing an inspector on the day before an election, and the other for illegally removing watchers in the first and eighteenth assemblies.

The Kentucky Episcopal Convention has not attempted, at this session, to fill the vacancy caused by the withdrawal of Bishop Cummins. The office is to remain open until after the meeting of the General Convention, after which the Diocesan Convention will be called together to elect his successor.

Intelligence was received at Utica, N. Y., on Saturday, that Hon. Charles H. Doolittle, Judge of the Supreme Court of the United States, was lost overboard from the steamship *Abyssinia* on the 21st of May, while en route from New York to Europe.

Owen and William Mahon were committed in Brooklyn, New York, Saturday, for stabbing their father, John Mahon. Owen held the father down while William stabbed him several times with a pocket knife. The wounds are not dangerous.

Three unknown boys were drowned in the Allegheny river at Pittsburgh, Pa., Saturday afternoon, while skiff riding. The skiff was struck by the wheel of a steamboat, which was backing down the river, and the whole party were swept under.

The first criminal trial for violating the railroad law of Wisconsin took place on Saturday. The Station Agent of the Chicago and North-western Railroad had been arrested for charging more than the legal rate for tickets. He was tried, found guilty, and fined one dollar.

On Friday night two men attempted to rob the express car between New Buffalo and Niles, Michigan. One of them succeeded in getting off with \$2,700. The other was shot dead by the express messenger, who was himself seriously wounded in defending his charge.

The presidents and general superintendents of the Central and Union Pacific railroads have been looking over ground in the vicinity of Ogden, Utah, with a view to determining the permanent junction of the two roads.

Julius Sarnet, convicted in New York of perjury and remanded for sentence, committed suicide at the Tombs Saturday afternoon by taking Paris green.

Five men were instantly killed Saturday in the Consolidated Amador mine on Sutter creek, in California, by the falling of the cage in the mine.

Election returns so far indicate that the temperance people will sweep the State of California. The constitutionality of the law will be hotly contested by the liquor dealers.

Governor Kellogg contemplates sending commissioners to Washington to urge national aid in rebuilding the levees of the Mississippi river.

Prince Bismarck is slowly recovering his health on his estates at Varzin.

The Mill River disaster inquest has been adjourned until June 13th.

Crops in California are reported to be most promising.

Meeting of the State Committee.—RICHMOND, May 30, 1874.—To secure a unification of the Conservative vote in each of the Congressional Districts and to suggest a general plan by which Congressional conventions may be called and delegates thereto appointed, it is deemed advisable to convene the State Committee for the purpose of consultation and with a view to such action as may be required. Each and every member of the State Committee is, therefore, urged to be present at a meeting to be held at the Executive Committee rooms in this city, on Wednesday, the 10th of June.

Chairman State Conservative Committee.—NATH'L B. MEADE, Chairman State Executive Committee.

LAND SALES.—"Meadowville," near Salem, in Fauquier, containing 987 acres, the property of G. W. F. Smith, was sold under decrees of the court on Monday by commissioners and assignees to H. DeBate Norris for \$27.55 per acre, being a small advance on the upset bid of Messrs. Barley and Triplett.

"The Walter Smith tract," held by G. W. F. Smith, seven miles from Warrenton, and containing 3473 acres, was sold under decree and order of the courts to Thomas N. Latham for \$18.50 per acre.

"Briarly" the property of John S. Knox, lying near Bowenfield, was sold by assignees in bankruptcy to George Taylor for \$5.15 per acre.

Commissioner H. R. Garden sold under decree in case of Stigler vs. Stigler 60 acres of land near Kelley's Mill, to Mr. Jones, for \$3.75 per acre.—*Warrenton Index.*

SNAKES.—The Wytheville Dispatch says that Mr. Messersmith, living a short distance east of that place, killed thirty-nine snakes a few days since. The killing was done in a short time, and all within a short boundary. The snakes were from a foot to five feet in length, and consisted of several species.

FOREIGN NEWS.

BERLIN, May 31.—The rumors that Germany seeks to disturb the Luxembourg treaty and to revive the candidature of a German Prince for the Spanish throne, which have been for some days in circulation throughout Europe, are considered here to be wholly without foundation.

PARIS, May 31.—The Assembly has settled the following as the order in which the important business before it is to be taken up: First, the municipal election bill; second, the municipal organization bill, and third, the general election bill.

The Catholic Club of this city has been entertaining the pilgrims from the United States. **PARIS, May 31.**—At a meeting of the Left to-day it was resolved that a motion for the dissolution of the Assembly should be passed, and that overtures be made to other sections of the Chamber to secure their cooperation in the movement.

PARIS, May 31.—The sale and circulation of the Siecle has been prohibited in several departments. Prince Napoleon has been nominated for the Assembly in the departments of Charente, Charente-Inferieure, and the Seine.

LONDON, June 1—5:30 a. m.—A serious riot occurred in Limerick yesterday. A mob of a thousand persons attacked a party of militia. The police defended the latter and were stoned by the rioters. Reinforcements arrived, and the riot was finally suppressed, after a considerable number had been injured.

MADRID, May 31.—Minister Cushing was received to-day by President Zibala with the customary ceremonial. The number of colored men in the city has been appointed Minister of Spain at Washington.

The Government has forbidden the press from attacking its financial schemes. **BAYONNE, May 31.**—Hernani is completely invested by Carls's, who have had sharp skirmishes with the garrison.

Virginia Election.

The election for corporation officers of Culpeper resulted as follows: Mayor, John B. Standard; Recorder, Treasurer and Assessor, A. M. Allan; Town Scavenger, Fayette Browning; Councilmen, George L. Berry, Wm. A. Ashby, Ferguson Hamilton, Wm. H. Fray, John F. Snyder, white, and Henry Lightfoot, colored.

In Warrenton the election of corporation officers resulted: For Mayor, C. T. Green; Recorder, W. W. Williamson; Aldermen, James V. Brooke, John R. Spilman, John Ross, G. V. Boothe, Henry C. Yates, Thomas B. Finks and Albert Fletcher. The number of colored voters cast was 56, and of these it is believed 12 voted for the old Council.

Sheep Raising.

MORRISWORTH, LOUDOUN CO., May 23, 1874. To the editor of the *Lexington Washingtonian*: I notice an item in "Winchester Times," giving result of sheep culture in Fauquier and Frederick. In Frederick, Mr. Lupton raised (53) lambs from same number of ewes, which sold for four dollars per head. I state, for the benefit of Loudoun, that I raised on this farm, this year, (78) lambs from (75) ewes, which are sold for four dollars per head. I will state further for the benefit of any other farmers inclined to embark in "sheep culture," that prior to the war, at Chantilly, Fairfax county, Virginia, where I had suitable shelter, I have raised as high as (80) lambs from (73) ewes—eleven of this flock raising one season (23) lambs. My flock at Chantilly was improved Cotswold; the one here is of Western ewes—the lambs from a half Leicester buck, bred by Geo. H. & J. G. Ayres of your county.

Yours, respectfully,

S. T. STUART.

WOODLAWN FARMERS' CLUB.—The regular monthly meeting of the Woodlawn Farmers' Club was held on Saturday last at the residence of Mr. Shepherd Wright, near Accotink. The President, Chalkey Gillingham, was in the chair, and N. W. Pearson was Secretary. M. E. Mason, chairman of the Critical Committee, read a criticism on the farm of Mr. Wright.

It was generally reported that the peach and some other fruits will be a short crop this season.

The subjects of dairies and feeding dairy cows and farming implements were discussed.

Mr. Curtis informing the meeting that the Grangers were awaiting themselves of measures by which they would avoid the high prices of manufacturers and extravagant commissions of agents, and obtain implements at prices thirty to forty per cent. below the current prices at which they have been sold and still command.

A splendid and bountiful dinner was provided for the company by the wife and sisters of Mr. Wright, which was partaken of with great satisfaction by all, after after which the meeting was again called to order.

A committee on farming implements was appointed, composed of Robert Roberts, Valentine Baker, and Samuel Pulman, to report at the next meeting, which is to be the regular order of business for debate.

Critical committee for next meeting is R. P. Roberts, N. W. Pearson and Samuel Pulman. Mr. Pulman's farm was the place of last meeting, and was reported by the critical committee to be one of the best, most thoroughly worked and thrifty farms in the county.

Though this is reported to have been a bad year for railroads, Poor's "Manual of Railroads," now just going through the press, does not show it. The total number of miles of roads in operation at the close of the year 1873 was 70,651, and of these reports are published from companies operating 65,714 miles. There were built during the year 3,916 miles. The gross earnings of the roads for the year amounted to \$535,000,000. As compared with the year 1872, this statement shows an increase of \$391 in the number of miles operated, and of \$62,000,000 in the gross earnings. This increase of more than 13 per cent. in gross earnings in a single year does not seem to warrant any conclusion that the railroad interest is declining. The increase has arisen, not from an advance in the tariffs, but the transaction of a greater volume of business; and this increase in the business, furthermore, is not confined to any particular section, but every region shows a gain.

THE DUNKERS.—The National Conference of Dunkers went into business session at Girard, Ill., May 26. A long discussion then took place on the proper manner of wearing the beard, and it was decided that, while it has ever been the rule of the Church to wear a full beard, it is not permitted to allow the members to engage in the banking business was discussed, and decided in the negative, as it would lead to covetousness, litigation and usury, all of which are forbidden by the sect. On the question of collegiate education it was decided to be inadvisable to send children to college. It was determined not to permit the use of their names in the establishment of high schools controlled by the Church. The standing committee "was authorized to appoint a sub-committee" to visit California to reconcile the inharmonious churches there; after which the Conference adjourned.

Next Wednesday the brewers of the United States are to meet in convention at Boston to consider the relations of their business to Congressional enactments and their interests generally.

The steamship *Baltic*, with Mr. and Mrs. Sartoris as passengers, arrived at Queenstown at 10 o'clock last night—all well.

THE COURTS.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT.—Judge Hughes held a term of the U. S. District Court here on Saturday, at which the following orders in bankruptcy were entered:

In re J. W. Lickie; proceedings in bankruptcy dismissed.

W. L. Childs and R. Cropp; in these cases orders were issued appointing special commissioners to ascertain liens.

S. R. Jackson, Geo. R. McKeuney and Withers Smith; orders confirming assignees' reports of sales.

Geo. W. E. Smith; Registrar Hill's report filed and recommended and order to report more fully as to previous orders.

Jacob Mytinger; order directing assignees to institute proceedings in this Court to test the validity of a certain deed of trust executed by bankrupt prior to his adjudication.

Simon Dealham; order for allowance of household.

Thos. S. Wigfield; order directing assignee to be made party to suit in State Court.

Robert Greig; order for payment of costs in suit of Payne's executor against bankrupt.

David E. Almond; special order of sale issued.

R. H. Bashaw; order setting aside previous order allowing bankrupt the Congressional exemption, (\$500).

M. A. Browning; order recommending special commissioner Stallard's report.

G. W. F. Smith; order issued against creditors to show cause why certain parcels of real estate should not be sold.

Jas. S. Thompson; order directing assignee to pay C. L. Pollock, late committee of said bankrupt, \$16.67.

Lawson A. Hedin and Presley A. L. Smith; orders remanding these case to Fauquier Circuit Court.

U. E. Byrne; order to assignee to convey certain lands to Paucost's executors in satisfaction of liens, and registrar to call meeting of creditors to show cause why rest of real estate should not be sold, and H. Shepherd, appointed special commissioner to ascertain liens.

H. C. Smith; order referring to special commissioner to ascertain liens and C. E. Sinclair and Thos. Moore appointed associate assignees.

Sanford Payne and J. H. Harrison; orders referring cases to special commissioners to ascertain liens, and Thos. Moore appointed associate assignees.

Thos. Jarvis, Thos. Chapman, G. W. N. Land and Sanford Gulick; orders issued dissolving injunctions.

Thomas B. Stewart; rule against leading creditors to show cause why rest of real estate should not be sold.

Nancy B. Stewart; assignee ordered to make sale of bankrupt's interest in certain real estate.

Hudsonway Carney; rule against bankrupt to show cause why he should not amend his schedule, and J. J. Davies and A. Nicol were appointed associate assignees, and W. E. Lipscomb appointed a special commissioner to take account of liens.

K. R. Cralle; rule awarded against assignees to show cause why order of sale heretofore granted should not be set aside.

June Ann Burke; rule awarded against bankrupt to show cause why restraining order should not be dissolved.

E. O. Powell; order dissolving injunction and assigns to be made party to suit in Fairfax circuit in case of Summers vs. Powell.

R. B. Merchaust; R. A. Sinclair appointed associate assignee and to report proceedings to July term of this court.

J. S. Knox; assignees ordered to pay Baylor's administrator the cost incurred in Fauquier Circuit Court in case of Baylor's administrator against bankrupt.

R. C. Newby; J. A. Spilman, trustee, and others ordered to answer paper of bill filed by assignee in the case.

M. Edridge & Co.; order entered directing the assignee, H. S. Wattle, to pay to the attorneys of J. T. Henderson & Co. the proceeds of a sale of a certain lot of corn purchased by Edridge & Co. from Henderson & Co.

J. T. Perry; rule awarded against bankrupt returnable at July term.

R. Autoni; case argued upon liability for rent due upon lease and for homestead exemption by R. T. Scott for assignee and H. R. Garden for creditors, and decision of court reserved.

CITY CIRCUIT COURT.—Judge Keith presiding.—CONTINUATION OF SATURDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.—Turnbull & Co. vs. First National Bank of Alexandria; issue; verdict and judgment for plaintiff; exceptions by defendant, and execution stayed 90 days.

The accounts of the jailor and guard were allowed.

Ladd vs. Ladd; in chancery; docketed and order of sale.

Smith vs. Lloyd et al.; in chancery; order of reference and continued.

W. & O. R. R. Co. vs. A. & W. R. R. Co.; in chancery; bill dismissed as to A. & W. R. R. Co.

The Court then adjourned for the term.

COUNTY COURT.—Judge James Smith presiding.—Administration de bonis non, with the will annexed, of J. R. Wallace, deceased, was granted to Virginia C. Neal.

Administration de bonis non, with the will annexed, of Mary E. Wilmer, deceased, was granted to A. H. Taylor.

W. A. Rowland as Supervisor, J. W. Hatch as Commissioner of Roads, and E. J. Bruckett as Assessor, of Jefferson Township, licenses to keep ordinaries were granted Patrick Hynes, Sebastian Ribbi, S. E. Gross, M. L. Hillis, Herbert & Bossart, J. W. Walker, John R. Bowen and Geo. Franklin.

Christopher Costella qualified as Township Clerk of Washington Township.

Com. vs. R. S. Laws; on indictment for illegal voting; cause continued for defendant with leave to file information.

Alexander Hunter and others vs. Washington and Alexandria Turnpike Company; rule against company to show cause why the court should not declare said turnpike abandoned.

G. H. Mortimer qualified as Commissioner of Roads, and F. G. Schutt as Supervisor of Arlington Township.

On the application of Cassius F. Lee and others to open a road, summons against proprietors and tenants to show cause, &c.

The court adjourned till court to course.

The argument before Judge Miller on the mandamus case of McBlair vs. Bond, contestant for the adjutant generalship of Maryland, was made on Saturday at Annapolis. The questions involved are: First—Whether the Governor had the right to remove General McBlair at his pleasure without a previous sentence of court martial. Second—Whether Gen. McBlair was disqualified to hold the office under the third section of the fourteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States. The court held the case under advisement.

MAD STONE.—Our local item in Saturday's paper, referring to a rumor that two children had been bitten by a dog afflicted with hydrophobia, led to the discovery of a g. u. "mad stone," which is owned by Mr. C. C. Wingfield, who resides on 5th street. Mr. Wingfield informs us that he has owned this stone about thirty years; that its application to the wounds inflicted by the most venomous snakes produces instant relief, as it draws from the wound every particle of the poison, while a person bitten by a rabid dog can always be saved, provided the stone is applied immediately after the wound is inflicted.—*Lynch News.*

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COMMERCIAL.

Alexandria Market, June 1, 1874.

FLOUR, Superfine, \$6 25 a 6 75
Extra, 7 50 a 8 00
Family, 8 25 a 9 00
Family choice, 9 25 a 9 50
WHEAT, common to fair, 1 15 a 1 30
Fair to good, 1 30 a 1 45
Good to prime, 1 45 a 1 60
Prime to choice red, 1 60 a 1 65
Prime choice to white, 1 65 a 1 65
CORN, white, 85 a 88
Mixed, 88 a 88
Yellow, 88 a 88
RYE, 85 a 85
OATS, 60 a 63
BUTTER, prime, 20 a 28
Common to middling, 15 a 20
EGGS, 17 a 18
IRISH POTATOES, 1 25 a 1 25
BACON, House country, 11 a 12
Western, 14 a 16
Sides, 10 a 11
Shoulders, 8 a 9
LARD, 12 a 13
PLASTER, ground, per ton, 4 50 a 5 00
Cement, in bags or barrels, 9 a 10
Ground, in bags, returned, 8 50 a 9 00
Lump, 5 00 a 5 25
SALT, G. A. (Liverpool), 1 20 a 1 40
Fine, 2 20 a 2 40
Turk's Island, 2 25 a 2 40
Wool, common unwashed, 28 a 31
Washed, 32 a 34
Merino, unwashed, 28 a 31
Merino, washed, 32 a 34

REMARKS.—Receipts of Wheat are light, and the market is dull and declining; offerings of 424 bushels, with sales of white at 140 and 150 for fair to good, and red at 125 for common, 145 for medium quality, and 160 for prime. Corn is very firm; offerings of 4010 bushels, with sales of a fine lot River white at 82, middling samples at 83, 84 and 85, and yellow at 82. Oats are active at an advance; offerings of 236 bushels, with sales at 63 and 65.

RAILROAD RECEIPTS.—The following were the receipts by the W. C. V. M. & G. S. R. R. last week:

Corn 11,557 bushels, wheat 2545, rye 80, oats 450, mill feed 20, corn meal 120, beans 6, potatoes 342, ground sumac 42,500 lbs, tobacco 21 boxes, hay 435 bales, wool 56 bales, fowls 11 coops, whiskey 12 bbls, calves, &c., 77, table 2 bbls, leather 28 rolls, feathers 1 sack, for 1 pack ground corn 17,335 lbs, vinegar 1 bbl, eggs 27 bbls and boxes, butter 23 firkins, lard 4 firkins, flour 4 3 bbls, limes 64 bundles, lime 300 bushels, calf skins 2 bales and 14 skins, sheep skins 2 bales, lumber 75,000 lbs, chairs 378, iron and brass 18,930 lbs, bark 11 cars, cattle, lambs and sheep 3 cars.

The following were the receipts by the W. & O. R. R. during the same period:

Corn 684 bushels, wheat 2318, oats 404, potatoes 223, meal 294, flour 121 bbls, eggs 61 bbls and boxes, butter 82 bbls and kgs, fowls 23 coops, calves 57, elder 8 kegs and 1 bbl, vinegar 2 bbls, wool 8 bags, rags 26 bags, stock 4 car loads, hay 10 car loads.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, JUNE 1, 1874.

SUN ROSE, 4 40, MOON SAYS, 9 6
SUN SAYS, 7 10

ARRIVED.

Steamer John Gibson, New York, to Hooe & Johnston.

Steamer Columbia, Baltimore, to B. Wheat. She reports passing four vessels in the river, this side of Blackstone's Island, all bound up.

Steamer New York, Philadelphia to F. A. Reed.

Steamer Pilot Boy, Currioman, to F. A. Reed.

Schr J Y Smith, Philadelphia, to William A. Smoot.

Schr Maria Pierson, Jersey City, to American Coal Co.

Schr E R Kirk, Providence, to American Coal Co.

Schr White Foam, Providence, to American Coal Co.

Schr CH Fister, New York, to American Coal Co.

Schr W H Jourdan, Georgetown, to American Coal Co.

Schr Laura Waiters, Philadelphia, to A S Puryear.

Schr Emily, Norfolk, to J P Agnew.

SAILED.

Steamer Georgetown, Baltimore, by Hooe & Johnston.

Steamer Lady of the Lake, Norfolk, by F. A. Reed.

Steamer Carrie Holmes, Groton, by American Coal Co.

Schr Annie Valentine, Groton, by American Coal Co.

Schr South Shore, Boston, by American Coal Company.

Schr Kate, Baltimore, by Hooe & Johnston.

Schr Emily, Norfolk, by J P Agnew.

MEMORANDA.

Schr Hattie E. Mowall, hence, at Providence 28th.

Schr A K Eaton, hence, at Boston 29th.

Schr Ann Grant, for this port, cleared at Providence 29th.

Schr Gen Grant, hence, at Richmond 28th.

CANAL COMMERCE.

Arrivals.—Boats A J Akin, Wm Darrow, J H Parrott, H O Claiborn, P G Uhler, A Main, Kate, Reclabates, Jno Wilson and M M Lewis, to American Coal Co; F Bowers and W H Boyer, to George's Creek Coal and Iron Co.

Departures.—Boats A J Akin, S T Fundle with cargo aboard, J H Parrott, W Darrow and Chesapeake.

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VIRGINIA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE.

TO CONTRACTORS.—The Building Committee of this College will receive sealed proposals until July 1st for the manufacture of ONE TO TWO MILLIONS OF GOOD HARD BRICKS—the number to be at the option of the committee; the bricks to be turned by November 1st. Payments will be made as the work progresses, and the contractor will be required to give bond and security for the faithful performance of his contract. The committee reserves the right to reject all the bids. Proposals should be addressed to V. E. Shepherd, Secretary Board Visitors.

H. BLACK, Rector.

Blackburg, Va., je 1-1m

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